



Licensing Sub-Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held in The Council Chamber at The Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE on Monday 12 July 2021 at 10.00 am.

Present Councillor Andrew Kilbride (Chair)
 Councillor Sally Beardsworth
 Councillor Keith Holland-Delamere

Officers Martin O'Connell, Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer
 Alan Parr, Licensing and Litigation Lawyer
 Richard Woods, Democratic Services Officer

8. Appointment of Chairman for the meeting of the Sub-Committee

The Democratic Services Officer opened the meeting and invited Councillors to appoint a Chair of the Sub-Committee Hearing. It was proposed by Councillor Sally Beardsworth and seconded by Councillor Keith Holland-Delamere that Councillor Andrew Kilbride be appointed Chair of the Sub-Committee Hearing.

Resolved

(1) That Councillor Andrew Kilbride be appointed Chair of the Sub-Committee Hearing.

9. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

10. Premises License Hearing

The Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer introduced a report which requested that the Sub-Committee Hearing consider an application for a variation to the Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 for; Sevens Public House, 157 Weedon Road, Northampton, NN5 5BS.

The Sub-Committee Hearing also heard representations from interested parties, both in favour of and in objection to the application, and gave due consideration to these representations in making their deliberations.

Resolved

(1) As set out in the attached determination letter.

The meeting closed at 10.42 am

Chairman: _____

Date: _____



**WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING
NOTIFICATION OF DETERMINATION
THE SEVENS PUBLIC HOUSE**

The licensing authority, West Northamptonshire Council, received a report on the application for a variation of a premises alcohol license at Sevens Public House, 157 Weedon Road, Northampton by the license holders The Craft Union Pub Company Ltd.

The application was considered by the Licensing Committee at their meeting on 12 July 2021 held at The Guildhall, Northampton. The hearing was conducted as per the Committee's standard procedures.

The committee heard from :

Mr O'Connell – Northampton Borough Council Licensing Enforcement Officer

Mr O'Connell read the Report to the Committee.

Objectors –

**Mrs Goodman
Mr Goodman**

All objectors reiterated the points raised in their written representations contained within the Report.

Mr Taylor, for the applicant, and Committee members, clarified points raised by objectors.

Mr Taylor – Solicitor, Gosschalks Solicitors, Representative for Seven Public House

Mr Taylor made representations including providing the background of property and the business in support of the application. Included explanation of use of outside bar/facilities. Understands the concerns raised by the objectors. Explained conditions already in place, such as use of serving drink outside in plastic receptacles.

Mr Taylor also addressed the points raised by objectors.

Mr Taylor made representations as to likely effects of selling alcohol from outside bar.

No questions from objectors.

Committee Members clarified points raised, specifically guidelines in place regarding disorderly clients. Landlady assisted Members with their queries.

Summing Up

No objectors provided a summary.

Mr Taylor summed up the applicant's representations, specifically addressing objections.

The Committee received legal advice as follows:

- The options available to the committee are laid out in the report and the Committee must consider which option, in their consideration, is reasonable based upon this hearing.
- The decision must be made solely by the committee members and only by those members who have heard the whole application.
- The Committee must take such steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives;
 - The Prevention of crime and disorder
 - Public Safety
 - the prevention of public nuisance
 - the protection of children from harm
- To ensure natural justice, the Committee should give reasons for their decision.

The Committee made the following findings of fact:

The applicant has met all the safety and licensing requirements and has agreed to the police additional conditions.

The Committee resolved:

The Licensing Authority agreed to vary the license as per the application.

The reason for the Committee's decision are as follows:

Applicant has met all the safety and licensing requirements and has agreed to the additional police conditions.

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